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Talking Points
Bill C-290
An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (sports betting)

- Currently, paragraph 207(4)(b) of the *Criminal Code* excludes from the definition of a legal “lottery scheme” a bet on any race or fight, or on a single sport event or athletic contest.
- Therefore, at present, provinces and territories cannot offer bets on a single game, although they can offer betting on the outcomes of several games.
- Bill C-290 would authorize single game betting. Several stakeholders have written the Minister of Justice favoring this reform. It would be up to each jurisdiction to ensure that bettors gamble responsibly and that there is integrity in the games.

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BILL C-290
An Act to amend the Criminal Code (sports betting)
Mr. Comartin (NDP)

Minister's Position: The Minister of Justice supports the bill 


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Factual Summary of the Bill:

Bill C-290 would repeal paragraph 207(4)(b) of the *Criminal Code* that currently excludes from the definition of a legal "lottery scheme" a bet on any race or fight, or on a single sport event or athletic contest.

Brief Assessment:

- Currently, a province may (but is not required to) offer, within the province, betting on the outcomes of multiple sports events, or "parlay" betting. Some bettors would, apparently, prefer to be able to bet on the outcome of a single sport event.

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- Some sport leagues have indicated concerns for the integrity of games if provinces were authorized by the *Code* to offer such betting. However proponents of this type of amendment assert that single-event sport betting presently happens "underground," and that an amendment of this nature would legitimize the practice.

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From: Gauvreau, Michael
Sent: December-14-11 4:10 PM s.21(1)(a)
To: Murphy, Lindsey s.21(1)(b)
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

Here is the reply I got:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Thanks.

Thanks,
Michael

From: Murphy, Lindsey
Sent: 2011-Dec-14 2:51 PM
To: Gauvreau, Michael
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

Thanks, I appreciate it.

From: Gauvreau, Michael
Sent: 2011-Dec-14 2:49 PM
To: Murphy, Lindsey
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

Hi Lindsey,

[REDACTED]
Michael

From: Murphy, Lindsey
Sent: 2011-Dec-14 2:46 PM
To: Gauvreau, Michael
Subject: [REDACTED]

Hi Michael:

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s.21(1)(b)

Thanks!

Lindsey Murphy

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To: Ministerial Liaison Unit
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

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From: Caron, Caroline
Sent: 2011-Dec-14 9:56 AM
To: Hall, Jennifer
Cc: * SADMO/Admin; * CLP SGC/Admin; Brisson, Elena; Fakirani, Salim
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

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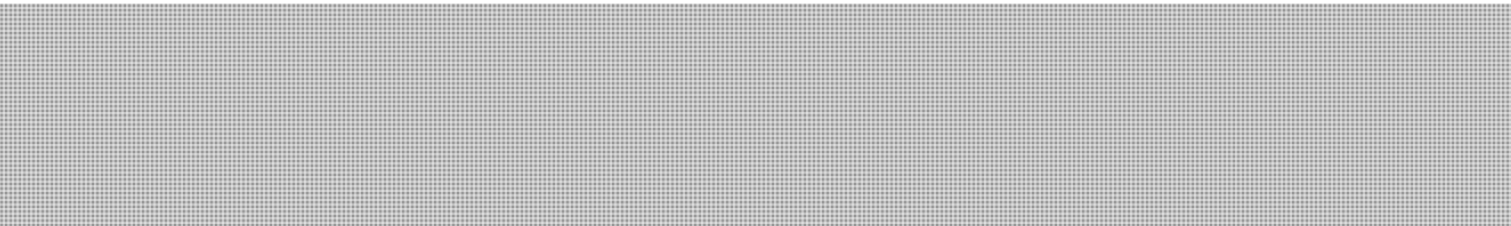
From: Martin, Karen
Sent: 2011-Dec-14 9:08 AM
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Cc: * CLP SGC/Admin; Pruden, Hal; Thérien, Michelle
Subject: [REDACTED]

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Sent: 2011-Dec-09 10:27 AM
To: Hébert, Nathalie
Cc: Melanson, Janice; Ministerial Liaison Unit; Gaudreau, Lyne
Subject: [REDACTED]

Nathalie,



Thanks.

Salim.

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From: Fakirani, Salim
Sent: February-07-12 6:49 PM
To: Lafleur, Eric
Cc: Ministerial Liaison Unit; Carson, Derek
Subject: [REDACTED]

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Eric,

[REDACTED]

Derek,

[REDACTED]

Thanks.

Salim.

[REDACTED]

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From: Carson, Derek
Sent: February-10-12 9:40 AM
To: Melanson, Janice
Cc: * SADMO/Admin s.21(1)(a)
Subject: [REDACTED] s.21(1)(b)

Hi Janice,

[REDACTED]

We'll close our file on this end.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

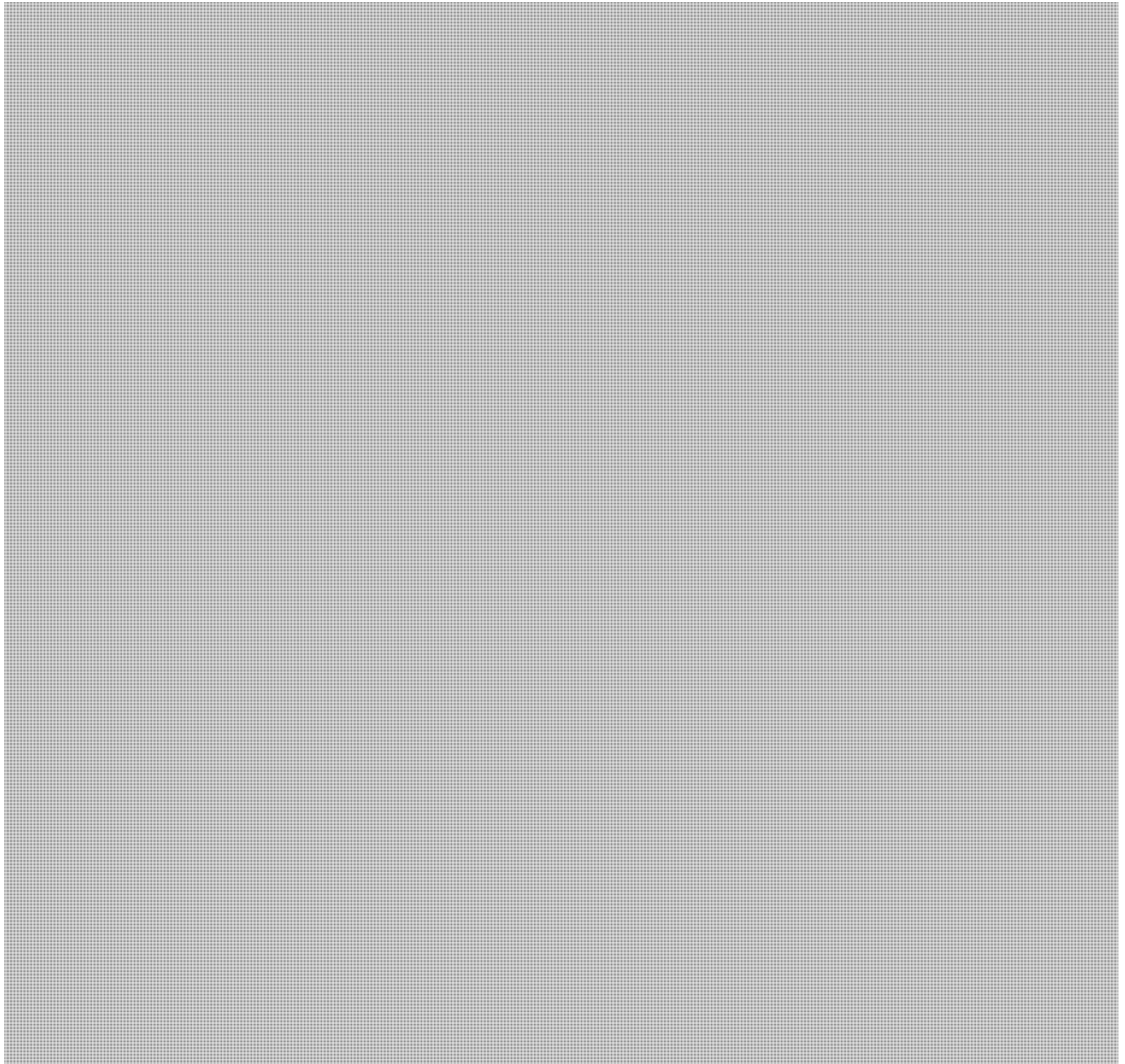
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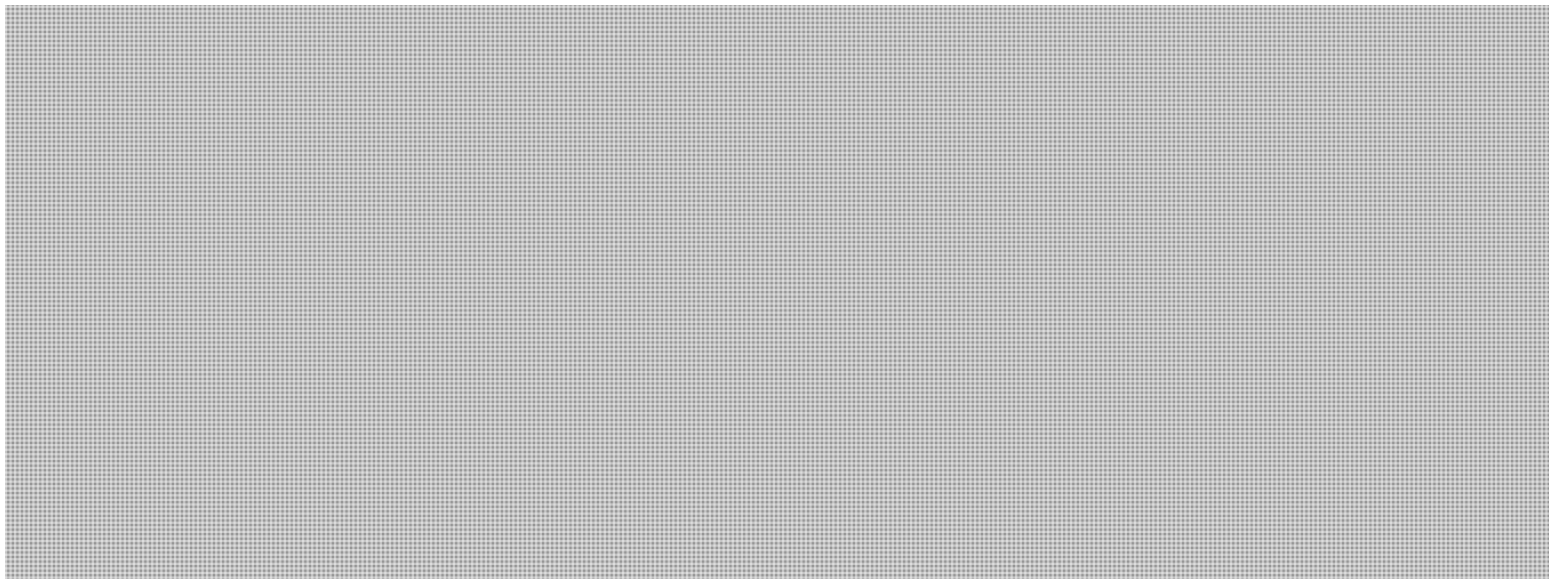
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Sent:	January-18-13 9:49 AM	s.21(1)(b)
To:	Lafleur, Eric	s.23
Cc:	Ministerial Liaison Unit	
Subject:	PMB C-290 (Sport betting) Question	s.69(1)(g) re (a)

Eric,





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